# AGENDA FOR CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS' "NOON" MEETING MONDAY, JULY 16, 2001

# Immediately Following Director's Meeting CONFERENCE ROOM 113

### I. MINUTES

- \*1. Minutes of "Noon" Council Members' Meeting for July 2, 2001.
- 2. Pre-Council Meeting Minutes Executive Session RE: Litigation-Scottsdale Insurance June 18, 2001.
- 3. Pre-Council Meeting Minutes Executive Session RE: Cable Negotiations June 25, 2001.
- 4. Pre-Council Meeting Minutes Executive Session RE: Koziol Litigation July 2, 2001.
- 5. Director's Minutes for March 19, 2001.
- 6. Pre-Council Meeting Minutes RE: Increasing Non-Moving Violation Fines June 4, 2001.

# II. COUNCIL REPORTS ON BOARDS, COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS AND CONFERENCES

- \*1. Transportation Officials Committee (McRoy/Cook)
- \*2. Wilderness Park Committee (Cook/Friendt)
- \*3. Homeless Coalition Meeting (McRoy/Werner)
- \*4. Star City Holiday Festival Board Meeting (McRoy)
- \*5. PRT Meeting (large) (Seng)
- \*6. Board of Health (Svoboda)
- 7. Internal Liquor Committee (McRoy/Svoboda/Werner) CANCELLED
- 8. Downtown Lincoln Bid Association Board of Directors Meeting (Werner)

# ALL OF THE ABOVE MEETINGS WERE CARRIED OVER FROM THE JULY 2<sup>ND</sup> "NOON" AGENDA.

- \*9. Lincoln Partnership for Economic Development Meeting (McRoy) **NO JULY OR AUGUST MEETING**
- \*10. Joint Budget Committee (McRoy/Seng) CANCELLED

### \*#9 & #\*10 MEETINGS HELD OVER FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 16TH.

- 11. Public Building Commission (Camp/Seng)
- 12. ISPC Meeting (Cook)
- 13. Indoor Ice Facility Task Force Meeting (Friendt)

- 14. Multicultural Advisory Committee (McRoy)
- 15. Mayor's Downtown Advisory Meeting (Seng)
- 16. Board Of Health (Svoboda)

#### OTHER MEETINGS REPORTS:

# III. APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS

- \*1. Material from Jennifer Brinkman RE: Boards and Commissions Upcoming Appointments (See Material).
- 2. Letter from Lori Vrtiska Seibel, Executive Director, Community Health Endowment of Lincoln RE: To remind you that the 3 year terms of the following members of the Board of Trustees of the Community Health Endowment will expire on August 31, 2001 (See Letter).
- 3. Material from Jennifer Brinkman RE: Boards and Commissions Upcoming Appointments (See Material).

### IV. MEETINGS/INVITATIONS

- 1. Larry Schauer's Retirement Open House on Thursday, August 9, 2001 from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the K-Street Complex, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Conference Room Refreshments provided Please Come To "Bid" Larry Farewell (See Invitation).
- 2. You're Invited . . . to be a part of our studio audience! Come join the fun as the Lincoln-Lancaster Women's Commission tapes its one-hour television program on the issues that impact women "Women Talk". On Tuesday, July 17, 2001 at 5:30 p.m. "Perspectives Hispanic Women" RSVP to 441-7716. (See Invitation).
- 3. The 2001 Nebraska Power Association (NPA) Annual Conference Preliminary Program will be held August 14-15, 2001 at the Embassy Suites The registration fee is \$95.00 (See Material).
- 4. The staff and Commissioners of the Lincoln Commission on Human Rights cordially invite you, your staff, family and friends to attend our 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Reception on Friday, July 20, 2001 at Prime Time Night Club, 227 North 9<sup>th</sup> Street from 4:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. No Admission charge (See Letter of Invitation).

# VI. REQUESTS OF COUNCIL FROM MAYOR - NONE

# VII. MISCELLANEOUS

- \*1. Discussion on when Council would like to reschedule their 911 Tour. **HELD OVER FROM THE "NOON" AGENDA FOR JULY 2ND** 
  - 2. Discussion on the Resolution for Lincoln Breathe Smoke Free Month (See attachment).

# VIII. ADJOURNMENT

# MINUTES CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS' "NOON" MEETING MONDAY, JULY 16, 2001

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**Council Members Present:** Annette McRoy, Chair; Jonathan Cook, Vice-Chair; Jon Camp, Glenn Friendt, Coleen Seng, Ken Svoboda, Terry Werner.

**Others Present:** Mark Bowen, Mayor's Office; Dana Roper, City Attorney, Darrell Podany, Aide to Council Members' Friendt, Camp and Svoboda; Joan Ray, Council Secretary; Chris Hain, *Journal Star* representative.

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Mr. Jonathan Cook, Council Vice-Chair, requested a motion to approve the above-listed minutes. Coleen Seng moved approval of the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Terry Werner and carried by the following vote: AYES: Jon Camp, Jonathan Cook, Glenn Friendt, Annette McRoy, Coleen Seng, Ken Svoboda, Terry Werner; NAYS: None.

# II. COUNCIL REPORTS ON BOARDS, COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS AND CONFERENCES -

- 1. TRANSPORTATION OFFICIALS COMMITTEE (McRoy/Cook) No Report
- 2. WILDERNESS PARK COMMITTEE (Cook/Friendt) Mr. Friendt reported that a study had been completed by a retired wetlands consultant to identify the wetlands in the Park. On August  $2^{nd}$  there is going to be Walk-Through-the-Park to take a look at the wetlands in case anyone would like to take a stroll at 4:30 in the afternoon that day. Coming out of that there will be a plan on what to do about the wetlands whether to restore, retain or maybe even enhance.
- 3 HOMELESS COALITION (McRoy/Werner) No Report
- 4. STAR CITY HOLIDAY FESTIVAL BOARD (McRoy) No Report

- 5. PRT MEETING (Seng) Ms. Seng will give a report next week.
- 6. BOARD OF HEALTH (Svoboda) Mr. Svoboda will report next week.
- 7. INTERNAL LIQUOR COMMITTEE (McRoy/Svoboda/Werner)-CANCELLED
- 8. DOWNTOWN LINCOLN B.I.D. ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING (Werner) Mr. Werner reported that the meeting was pretty uneventful, noting that the B.I.D. Budget was passed and some landscaping had been discussed.

# The Above Listed Meetings were Carried Over from the July 2<sup>nd</sup> "Noon" Agenda

- 9. LINCOLN PARTNERSHIP FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (McRoy) **No July or August Meetings.**
- 10. JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE (McRoy/Seng) CANCELLED

# Meetings 9 and 10 were Held Over for the Week of July 16th

11. PUBLIC BUILDING COMMISSION (Camp/Seng) - Ms. Seng reported that Ms. Kathy Campbell had asked if we couldn't try to get a Public Building Commission meeting scheduled with the Omaha Public Building Commission. Ms. Seng explained that *that* led to a discussion on having the County meet earlier in the morning and the Building Commission meet at noon and the City Council have a joint-meeting in the afternoon. Ms. Seng stated that she had been assigned to follow through on this. She noted that she had talked with Jennifer [Brinkman] to begin the process and get the lobbyist involved. Ms. Seng just wanted everyone to know that this is in the works noting that the Joint Meeting is usually done at Mahoney and that Omaha is hosting the meeting this year.

Ms. McRoy stated that she had received phone calls regarding the North Parking Lot planned for the City with the caller expressing concerns on issues such as the Public Building Commission attempting to exercise the Right of Eminent Domain and the results of that; were offers made to buy the property out-right? Ms. McRoy had referred the caller to Mr. Killeen and Mr. Camp as the two Public Building Commission members with extensive knowledge on the parking lot expansion. She requested that either Don Killeen or Mr. Camp give the citizen a call.

Mr. Camp indicated that he would be glad to do that, noting that the basic issue on that property is the cost factor - that property is more expensive. He noted that early in the process they had looked at economical ways [inaudible] the expansion. Mr. Camp stated that they did talk about that parking though, and have increased the [inaudible] expenditure [inaudible] we'll use a part of the South lot for public parking and have some City staff going to Carriage Park for parking as things proceed on that North Block. [Mr. Camp's further

# comments were inaudible.]

Mr. Camp reported that he had brought up an issue regarding wheelchairs in the Council Chamber. There are some seats in the back of the Chamber right beside the aisle, so those will be taken out and also the areas on the sides up front are available for wheelchair use. Ms. Seng asked if that would be done in time for the public hearing on the budget. It was determined that the answer was yes.

Ms. Seng noted that the slot frames for posting notices on conference room doors were also discussed at the PBC meeting

- 12. ISPC MEETING (Cook) No Report
- 13. INDOOR ICE FACILITY TASK FORCE MEETING (Friendt) (Notification of this meeting was on a Revised Weekly Agenda for Mr. Friendt which was distributed in his Monday, July 9<sup>th</sup> Office Folder) No Report
- 14. MULTICULTURAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (McRoy) No Report
- 15. MAYOR'S DOWNTOWN ADVISORY MEETING (Seng) Ms. Seng reported that the Downtown Action Team had met and the bids had come in on the Old Federal Building. There were three proposals that came in out of the four that had been previously looked at. Those three are: Civic Partners out of California; Dial Group and NU Style two separate bidders out of Omaha. Ms. Seng passed out material from the NU Style Company which is doing work in the Old Market area of Omaha. She reported that there will be a committee appointed by the Mayor which will probably meet about the end of July. All three of these bidders responded to the Courts needs and space in the Court Rooms.

The Downtown Entertainment venture has secured the site and now the developer is beginning to look at leases and trying to get that taken care of. There is a marketing firm working with the developer. The Grotto is staying there; Sartor-Hamann is staying and the Mars Bar is staying there. All the rest, the developer is working with.

Ms. Seng reported that there had been a presentation on the Horizon Housing Corporation, noting that Diane Gonzolas had given a short report on the Entertainment Market Study, but the official report is really due in about two weeks.

16. BOARD OF HEALTH (Svoboda) Mr. Svoboda will report next week.

### OTHER MEETINGS REPORTS: - None

**III. APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS** - Ms. Seng mentioned that the people who are up for re-appointment to the Health Endowment Committee are very essential, and she hoped that they would be reappointed. Ms. Seng requested that Mr. Bowen relay that hope

to the Mayor for consideration during his deliberations. Mr. Bowen stated that he would do that.

# IV. MEETINGS/INVITATIONS - Noted Without Comment

# V. COUNCIL MEMBERS

**JON CAMP** - No Further Comments

**JONATHAN COOK** - Mr. Cook shared with Council Members that they should be aware that the microphones in the Council Chamber, as well as those in this conference room may be live for many minutes after the meetings have adjourned.

Another thing Mr. Cook brought up was whether or not Council wanted to have Columbus Day off, with no meeting. Mr. Cook was informed that the City does not get Columbus Day off. This ended his comments.

**GLENN FRIENDT** - No Further Comments

**ANNETTE McROY** - No Further Comments

**COLEEN SENG** - No Further Comments

**KEN SVOBODA** - No Further Comments

**TERRY WERNER** - No Further Comments

MARK BOWEN - No Further Comments

DANA ROPER - No Further Comments

**VI. REQUESTS OF COUNCIL FROM MAYOR** - Mr. Bowen commented on the Budget discussions held by Council earlier in the morning, but his comments were inaudible.

He noted that they had met with Amy [Tejral] this morning. She was just here for three days and will be going back to Utah to prepare for her move back to Lincoln. She will start officially on August 27<sup>th</sup>. [Ms. Tejral will be assuming the duties of Ms. Jennifer Brinkman who is leaving the Mayor's Office on July 20<sup>th</sup>]

Ms. McRoy commented on that appointment, noting that the Multicultural Advisory Committee had some concerns and hopes that the Mayor would consider hiring a person of color for that position. She requested that Mr. Bowen carry that concern to the Mayor. Mr. Bowen stated that minorities were very much included in the interview process. Ms. McRoy asked if there had been a person of color selected for final consideration. Mr. Bowen stated that there was only one spot, so

they came down to the decision and selected Amy.

Mr. Werner asked for a little back-ground on Amy. Mr. Bowen reported that prior to working with the Western Governors' University she had worked on Governor Nelson's Policy Staff in Education and Social Services. She's an attorney by skill; she's been out at the Western Governors' University for about 2-1/2 to 3 years. Mr. Bowen explained to Council that the University is an on-line University that was created by the Western Governors' Association. It's very innovative. She has a combination of duties there...filling a sort of a catch all position. There is some legal work that she does for them; some program development; a lot of ways of working with the University. She is originally from Wahoo.

# VII. MISCELLANEOUS

- \*1. Discussion on when Council would like to reschedule their 911 Tour. *Hold Over*
- 2. Discussion on the Resolution for Lincoln Breathe Smoke Free Month Ms. McRoy, after noting the irony of her sponsorship of this resolution, [Ms. McRoy is a smoker] polled Council Members, asking if they would want to introduce a resolution showing support for the Breathe Smoke Free Month. After a brief discussion with guidance from City Attorney, Dana Roper, it was determined to have the Mayor's Office issue a modified version of the resolution as is normally done concerning such programs and proclamations.

**VIII. MEETING DISMISSED** - Approximately 1:20 p.m.